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FROM THE

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES,

TRANSMITTING

A REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE,

OF

THE PROGRESS AND EXPENDITURES OF THE COMMISSIONERS,

UNDER THE FIFTH, SIXTH, AND SEVENTH ARTICLES OF THE

TREATY OF GHENT.

DECEMBER 19, 1820.

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

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TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

In compliance with a resolution of the House of Representatives of the 21st of November last, "requesting the President to lay before the House information relating to the progress and expenditures of the Commissioners, under the fifth, sixth, and seventh articles of the treaty of Ghent," I now transmit a report from the Secretary of State, with documents, containing all the information in the possession of that Department, requested by that resolution.

JAMES MONROE.

WASHINGTON, *December* 14, 1820.

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MEMORANDUM

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

In connection with a report of the Joint Committee on the Administration of the Government, dated November 1, 1940, the Committee on the Administration of the Government, which the House and Senate have jointly created, has the honor to submit to you the following report. The report is based on the information received from the various departments and agencies of the Government, and is intended to provide a basis for the consideration of the House and Senate in their respective chambers.

JAMES M. SMITH

WASHINGTON, D. C.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,

11th December, 1820.

The Secretary of State, to whom has been referred a resolution of the House of Representatives of the 21st of November last, requesting the President to lay before the House information relating to the progress and expenditures of the Commissioners under the fifth, sixth, and seventh articles of the treaty of Ghent, has the honor of submitting to the President the papers containing the information in possession of this Department, requested by that resolution.

JOHN QUINCY ADAMS.

LIST OF THE PAPERS SUBMITTED.

- Statement of moneys drawn from the Treasury of the United States by the Commissioners and Agents under the treaty of Ghent.
- No. 1. Account of P. B. Porter, Commissioner under the sixth and seventh articles of the treaty of Ghent, for 1817.
- Boundary Commissioner's account for same period,
- Statement of wages and salaries for do.
- Account of expenditures, and abstract of vouchers, of S. Hawkins, for - - - - - 1817
- Do. do. do. 1818
- Do. do. do. 1819
- No. 2. General account of expenses, for 1817, 1818, and 1819.
- Account of expenses, for 1818.
- Account of salaries and wages, for 1819.
- W. C. Bradley, for 1817, 1818, and 1819.
- Letter from J. Delafield to the Secretary of State, 17th May, 1820.
- Secretary of State to Mr. Delafield, 19th do.
- Mr. Delafield to Secretary of State, do. do.
- Same to same 13th Oct. do.
- Same to same 1st Nov. do.
- C. P. Van Ness to Secretary of State, with enclosure 25th do.
- Mr. Delafield to Secretary of State, with enclosure 27th do.
- P. B. Porter to the Secretary of State, 2d Dec. do.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

Fifth Auditor's Office, December 8, 1820.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit, in pursuance of a resolution of the House of Representatives of the United States, of which you have furnished a copy, a general statement of moneys drawn from the Treasury in the years 1816, 1817, 1818, 1819 and 1820, by the Commissioners and Agents appointed in virtue of the fifth, sixth, and seventh articles of the treaty of Ghent; as, also, copies of the accounts of those Commissioners and Agents as far as they have been received, containing all the information on the subject of the resolution which can be supplied by this office.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully, Sir

Your obedient servant,

S. PLEASANTON,

Fifth Auditor of the Treasury.

HON. SECRETARY OF STATE.

THE HISTORY OF THE
REPUBLIC OF THE UNITED STATES

OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The history of the United States is a story of the growth of a great nation from a small colony of English settlers in 1607 to a powerful republic in 1776. The story is one of the struggle for freedom and independence, and of the development of a new form of government. The United States has been a land of opportunity and progress, and its history is a testament to the power of the American people.

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AMOUNT of Money drawn from the Treasury of the United States, by the Commissioners and Agents under the fifth, sixth, and seventh articles of the Treaty of Ghent, in the years 1816, 1817, 1818, 1819, and 1820.

Cornelius P. Van Ness, Commissioner under the fifth article, viz

1816	October 15, paid him	-	-	-	\$15,000 00
1817	From 7th May, to 6th September, paid him	-	-	-	10,944 00
1818	From 28th April, to 27th November, do.	-	-	-	31,500 00
1819	From 30th March, to 17th September, do.	-	-	-	18,500 00
1820	From 1st January, to 30th November, do.	-	-	-	20,000 00

82,444 00

William C. Bradley, Agent under the fifth article, viz.

1817	From 19th April, to 3d September, paid him	-	-	2,000 00
1818	From 20th April, to 29th September, do.	-	-	5,000 00
1819	From 23d January, to 2d December, do.	-	-	5,210 88
1820	From 1st January, to 30th November, do	-	-	4,444 22

16,655 10

99,099 10

Samuel Hawkins, Agent under the sixth and seventh articles, viz.

1816	From 26th April, to 26th December, paid him	-	-	3,000 00
1817	From 14th January, to 21st November, do.	-	-	8,481 00
1818	From 13th April, to 27th October, do.	-	-	9,000 00
1819	From 19th January, to 22d October, do.	-	-	8,410 80

28,891 80

Peter B. Porter, Commissioner under the sixth and seventh articles, viz.

1817	From 11th February, to 27th November, paid him	-	-	16,315 95
1818	From 16th April, to 26th August, do.	-	-	18,200 00
1819	From 16th February, to 31st July, do.	-	-	15,400 00
1820	From 1st January, to 30th November, do.	-	-	15,400 00

\$65,315 95

STATEMENT—Continued.

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		Amount brought forward,	
Isaac Roberdeau, Topographical Engineer; for extra services performed under Samuel Hawkins,		Agent under the sixth and seventh articles, viz.	
1817	March 24, paid him	- - - - -	428 00
Joseph Delafield, Secretary to the Commissioners executing the seventh article, viz.			
1820	Paid him	- - - - -	402 78
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		\$194,137 63	

RECAPITULATION.

Amount paid under the fifth article		- - - - -	\$99,099 10
Amount paid under the sixth and seventh articles		- - - - -	95,038 53
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As above,		- - - - -	\$194,137 63
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TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

Register's Office, December 2, 1820.

JOSEPH NOURSE, Register.

The United States, in account with P. B. Porter, Commissioner under the 6th and 7th articles of the Treaty of Ghent.

1817.	DR.	
October 29. To the following expenditures on the part of the United States, in execution of the commission, viz.		
Cash expended in the purchase of camp equipage, including tents, bedding, blankets, table and kitchen furniture	\$743 24	
Cash paid for the purchase of boats, sails, and oars, - - - - -	317 56	
Cash expended in purchasing books, maps, and stationery - - - - -	236 50	
Paid the travelling expenses of the commissioner, assistant secretary, surveyor and men, and transportation of camp equipage, surveyor's instruments, &c. - - - - -	985 75	
Paid for the subsistence of the American commissioner, assistant secretary, and surveyor and men, while engaged in surveying the line, from May to November, 1817, - - - - -	1,493 42½	
Paid the salaries and wages of the assistant secretary, surveyors, and other persons employed - - - - -	6,580 92	
	<hr/>	10,357 39½
Per abstracts and accounts at large, as settled by the board of commission, under date of October 29th, 1817.		
Paid Richard Gatteu's bill, under date of April 30, 1817, for mathematical instruments (instruments not being included in the joint expenses of the government) - - - - -	153 50	
Paid Isaac Greenwood's bill, of April 29th, for repairing instruments - - - - -	10 00	
	<hr/>	163 50
To my salary from January 16, 1816, to January 16, 1818, 2 years, at \$4,444 44 per year		8,888 88
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		\$ 19,409 77½
To paid colonel Hawkins, the United States' agent, per his acknowledgment dated August 13th, 1817 - - - - -		1,815 95
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		\$ 21,225 72½

ACCOUNT—Continued.

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1818. By the amount of my drafts on the Secretary of State, and charged to me at the Treasury, under the following dates, viz.

1817, February 1th	- - - -	5,000 00
May 2d	- - - -	2,000 00
Do. 31st	- - - -	3,000 00
November 21	- - - -	1,000 00
Do. do	- - - -	1,000 00
Do. 27	- - - -	2,500 00
		<hr/> 14,500 00
Sept. 4th. By check on United States' Branch Bank in New York, being the amount of advances made by me to colonel S. Hawkins, per his receipt, &c.	- - - -	1,815 95
		<hr/> 16,315 95
Balance	- - - -	4,909 77½
		<hr/> 21,225 72½

ABSTRACT of expenses paid and incurred by the government of the United States in execution of the sixth article of the Treaty of Ghent, in salaries and wages of persons employed by the Board of Commission, in the year 1817.

NAMES OF ASSISTANTS EMPLOYED.	IN WHAT CAPACITY.	RATE OF PAY.	COMMENCEMENT OF SERVICE.	TERMINATION OF SERVICE.	TIME EMPLOYED.	AMOUNT.
						DOLLS. CTS.
Donald Fraser -	Assistant secretary -	\$ 2,200 per annum	March 13, 1817 -	March 1, 1818 -	1 year -	2,200
David P. Adams -	Astronomical surveyor -	2,000 do	- - -	- - -	1 year -	2,000
William A. Bird -	Assistant surveyor -	1,100 do	- - -	- - -	1 year -	1,100
Thomas Clinton -	Steward, &c. -	365 do	- - -	- - -	1 year -	365
Elijah Wilder -	Chain bearer -	30 per month	May 1, 1817 -	November 15, 1817 -	6½ months -	195
C. Beleise -	Boatman, &c. -	12 do	May 12, " -	June 12, " -	1 month -	12
Do -	do -	16 do	June 12, " -	November 9, " -	4 months 27 days -	78 50
Alexander Caicy -	do -	12 do	May 12, " -	June 12, " -	1 month -	12
John Ogden -	do -	12 do	May 13, " -	June 13, " -	1 month -	12
Alexander Caicy -	do -	16 do	June 12, " -	August 25, " -	2 months 11 days -	36
Francis Charaderimo -	do -	12 do	May 13, " -	June 13, " -	1 month -	12
Alexander Law -	Pilot (from La Chien to St. Regis) -	5 per trip	May 16, " -	May 20, " -	5 days -	5
Guestia Plomedo -	Boatman -	16 per month	June 9, " -	November 9, " -	5 months -	80
Joseph Plomedo -	do -	16 do	June 9, " -	November 9, " -	5 months -	80
Joseph Austin -	do -	16 do	July 20, " -	August 31, " -	1 month and 11 days (extra & work on Sunday) -	22 19
Sylvester Plumley -	do -	16 do	July 21, " -	August 9, " -	19 days -	12
Charles Davenport -	do -	16 do	July 20, " -	November 9, " -	3 months 20 days -	58
William Thurston -	do -	16 do	July 26, " -	August 9, " -	15 days -	9 23
John Polley, jr. -	(Pilot in Long Saut) -	1 per day	July 28, " -	August 3, " -	6 days -	6
Edward Bryan -	Boatman -	16 per month	August 24, " -	November 9, " -	2½ months -	40
John Barrett (boy) -	do -	12 do	August 31, " -	November 9, " -	2½ months -	28
Peter Joseph -	do -	16 do	August 31, " -	September 7, " -	8 days -	4
Henry Jackson -	Servant -	12 do	April 7, " -	July 7, " -	3 months -	36
Leonard Baker -	Cook -	20 do	May 1, " -	November 15, " -	6½ months -	130
Jacob Miller -	Servant -	12 do	July 7, " -	November 7, " -	4 months -	48
						6,580 92

*Boundary Commission Account under the Sixth and Seventh Articles of
the Treaty of Ghent, 1817.*

		DLS. CTS.
1817.		
April 25,	To Mr. Adams for his expenses in travelling from Washington to New York, with instruments, as per bill and vouchers No. 1	115 08½
27,	A. J. Goodrich's bill, mathematical books, &c. for the surveyor Mr. Adams, as per bill and receipt, No. 2	51 50
May 1,	Prior and Dunaing's bill stationery, &c. for Mr. Adams, No. 3	17 00
	E. M. Laughlin's bill for one marquee and six tents, No. 4	335 54
	Cartage of the same to steam boat, as per bill and receipt	1 00
	Peter Burtzell's bill stationery, as per bill and receipt No. 5	159 00
2,	John L. Everett's bill, chest with apartments for stationery, &c. as per bill and receipt No. 6	9 00
	William Deforest's bill, fishing tackle, &c. as per bill and receipt, No. 7	10 87
	Needles, thread, &c. for repairing tents	2 50
17,	Shot, cord, &c. bought by major Fraser at Montreal	1 87
	Travelling expenses and transportation of instruments, baggage, &c. of commissary, secretary, surveyors, and men, from New York, to St. Regis, as per bill and vouchers No. 8	629 16½
	Contingent expenses of Leonard Baker (servant) for himself and boatmen, from Montreal to St. Regis	6 75
21,	J. and D. P. Ross's bill of sundries, as per bill and receipt No. 9	653 59
24,	Peter Bishop's bill for furniture, &c. 18s. 3d. per bill and receipt No. 10	3 65
June 5,	Mr. Volevenoch (carpenter) making stands for astronomical instruments, tables, &c. as per bill and receipt	10 87
	Cash to Indian Louis for damage to axes	1 00
	Fish 25 cents, do 50, paid for paddle 50	1 25
	Paid for use of a room for commissioners at St. Regis	1 00
	Indian express for carrying letters to French Mills for commissioners at Boston	2 00

ACCOUNT—Continued.

1817.		DLS. CTS.
June 22,	To J. Gust for 4 chairs, as per bill and receipt No. 12 - - - - -	8 00
26,	Paid Indian express for carrying letters to French Mills and bringing two chests from thence to St. Regis - - - - -	4 00
July 7,	Paid 4 Indian boatmen and boat in assisting to remove from St. Regis to Point Ellicott - - - - -	4 00
10,	Paid John Hoople's bill for furniture, transportation for lead, &c. from Montreal 11 18 6	
	No. 13 - - - - -	7 70
	Paid a man with a canoe for transporting same from Mille Rouché to camp - - - - -	1 00
15,	Mr. Robertson for plank, for drawing table, measuring rods and signal poles for surveyor, Jacob Colt for sundries, as per bill and receipt, 153 16 0 $\frac{1}{4}$, No. 14 - - - - -	2 50
18,	T. Clinton's, sundry provisions, &c. purchased by him for the use of the camp, per bill and vouchers No. 15 - - - - -	215 21
19,	Eri Lusher for a boat, rigging, &c. per bill and account No. 16 - - - - -	186 46
22,	Belisle (boatman) going to Canada for men, including ferriages for himself and them - - - - -	287 35
Aug 3,	William A. Bird's account for moneys expended by him, &c. Mr. Adams while absent from camp, per bill and receipt No. 17 - - - - -	2 50
Sept. 5,	Sill and Thompson for grindstone crank and transportation, as per bill and receipt No. 18	10 21
	Postage for letter addressed to commissioners - - - - -	8 00
Oct. 1,	Barrel of flour, as per bill and receipt No. 19	25 $\frac{1}{2}$
2,	T. Clinton, sundry provisions, &c. purchased by him for the use of the camp, per bill and vouchers No. 20, under date of September 22, 1817 - - - - -	8 50
	Mr. Commissioner Porter's expenses from Niagara to and at Albany to meet the British commissioner in November, 1816, and returning - - - - -	519 85 $\frac{1}{2}$
	To his expenses from Niagara to New York in April, 1817, to meet the surveyors, &c. and make preparations for the commencement of the survey - - - - -	140 00
	Cash paid for a canoe purchased at St. Regis, No. 20 - - - - -	90 00
		10 00

ACCOUNT—Continued.

1817.		DOLS.	CTS.
Oct. 18,	Moneys expended by Mr. Adams, while out surveying, as per bill and receipt No. 21	19	50
	T. Clinton's account of sundry provisions, &c. purchased by him for the use of the camp as per bill and vouchers No. 22	237	99½
	To paid the salaries and wages of assistant secretary, surveyors, and other persons employed	6,580	92
		<hr/> \$ 10,357 39½ <hr/>	

RECAPITULATION.

It stating the preceding account it was found impossible to arrange the different items under distinct heads of expenditure, owing to there being, in many instances, a great variety of articles in the same vouchers applicable to different branches of expenses.

The following recapitulation however, which has been made on a careful examination of the voucher, will shew the amount of the expenses incurred under the respective heads there mentioned.

The Boundary Commission under the 6th and 7th articles of the Treaty of Ghent,

To the United States,

Dr.

The following expenditures on the part of the United States in execution of said commissioner, as per accounts and vouchers at large herewith exhibited, viz:

1817.	DOLLS.	CTS.
To cash expended in the purchase of camp equipage, including tents, bedding, blankets, table, and kitchen furniture, &c.	743	24
To cash paid for the purchase of boat, sails, oars, &c.	317	56
To cash paid for books and stationery	236	50
To cash paid for travelling expenses of commissioner, assistant secretary, surveyor, and men, for the years 1816 and 1817, and transportation of camp equipage, surveyor's instruments, &c.	985	75
To cash paid for the subsistence of the commissioner, assistant secretary, surveyor, and men, while engaged surveying the line, from May to November, six months, including contingencies, under the above heads	1,493	42½
To cash paid the salaries and wages of assistant surveyors, &c. and other persons employed, as per account herewith exhibited	6,580	92½
		<hr/> \$ 10,357 39½ <hr/>

October 29, 1817.

The United States,

To S. Hawkins, Dr.

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On account of his expenditures as Agent, under the 6th and 7th articles of the Treaty of Ghent, commencing May, 1817.

DATE.			No. of Vouchers.	DOLS. CTS.
1817.				
May	9	To travelling expenses from New York to Montreal, as per account -	1	54 61
	11	John Baird for transportation of astronomical apparatus of Professor Ellicott and self and baggage - - - - -	2	65 00
	12	S. Palmer, tavern expenses on the road - - - - -	3	5 00
	14	H. Wiswall steam boat passage - - - - -	4	11 00
	14	J. P. Smith, travelling expenses - - - - -	5	11 40
	22	M. Martin, steward, his expenses in Albany - - - - -	6	8 75
July	1	A. Shoemaker for a boat, sails, &c. - - - - -	7	70 00
	2	S. Daniels for lodging and board at Ogdensburg - - - - -	8	8 25
	6	Joseph Ellicott for travelling expenses of my steward - - - - -	9	19 00
	7	Guy Wood, crackers for table - - - - -	10	3 65
	9	R. Colquhoun, provisions for table - - - - -	11	3 25
	13	H. Clark, board of boatmen - - - - -	12	2 32
	15	R. Colquhoun, provisions - - - - -	13	1 42
	22	Joseph Lee, his services with batteaux and crew - - - - -	14	10 93
	22	D. Hutchins, board for marquee floor - - - - -	15	4 49
	24	G. Hoople for camp furniture - - - - -	16	6 57
	24	J. Archibald for do do - - - - -	17	2 23
	27	J. L. Everett for a chest for records and stationery - - - - -	18	9 00
	29	J. Archibald for a lamb - - - - -	19	4 00

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Aug.	4	J. Stoneburner for wagon hire at Long Saut	-	-	-	-	20	3
	5	S. C. Wood for transportation	-	-	-	-	21	2
	8	M. Martin, steward, his wages	-	-	-	-	22	98 90
	13	P. B. Porter for camp equipage and groceries paid by him	-	-	-	-	23	668 45
	14	S. Wood for bunting for signals	-	-	-	-	24	3 60
	23	J. C. Perkins for butter	-	-	-	-	25	10 28
	27	Clarke and Diggins, provisions for boatmen	-	-	-	-	26	2
	28	D. Chesley, provisions and calash hire	-	-	-	-	27	5 40
Sept.	2	R. Colquhoun, ferriage, one bag and one earthen jug	-	-	-	-	28	2 89
	2	D. M'Cauley for groceries	-	-	-	-	29	5
	3	J. Bradford for veal	-	-	-	-	30	1 87½
	4	H. Showin for vegetables	-	-	-	-	31	3 87½
	5	La Trace, groceries	-	-	-	-	32	2 60
	2	A. Baker, meat and vegetables	-	-	-	-	33	14 60
	10	H. Wilson, vegetables and his services	-	-	-	-	34	9 50
	10	J. Eaton, barrel of bread	-	-	-	-	35	7 16
	12	P. Cleveland for ½ barrel pork	-	-	-	-	36	12 75
	12	A. Barrett for boating	-	-	-	-	37	1 75
	12	Peter Wilson do	-	-	-	-	38	1 75
	13	B. Franklin, his wages	-	-	-	-	39	9 85
	22	W. L. Gray, his expenses bringing boat from Montreal	-	-	-	-	40	22 41
	22	J. and D. P. Ross, groceries and repairs to boat	-	-	-	-	41	41 60
	29	John Hanes, tent poles, &c.	-	-	-	-	42	7
	30	William Loucks, board and lodging at his house	-	-	-	-	43	14 90
Oct.	1	Nichols and Sanford, for six hams	-	-	-	-	44	9 98
	4	R. Atwater son and Co. groceries, provisions, camp furniture	-	-	-	-	45	323 20
	5	J. Baker, his services and entertainment	-	-	-	-	46	2 70
	8	Thomas Clinton, wages as steward	-	-	-	-	47	81 51
	8	Thomas Brannan, his expenses travelling with baggage	-	-	-	-	48	4 15

ACCOUNT—Continued.

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DATE.		No. of Vouchers.	DOLS. CTS.
1817.			
8	L. Stowell, provisions	49	4 65
8	S. Town for stage fare	50	3 00
11	P. Stonell for washing	51	2 50
12	L. Wilson, tavern expenses at Prescott	52	15 35
20	G. Wood, sundry articles as per bill	53	122 58
22	Zerah Poor, his expenses messenger to Ogdensburg	54	6 12½
23	Thomas Clinton, to pay extra for bread	55	21 37
24	W. L. Gray, his wages as boatman	56	38 40
27	W. Price, his wages as boatman	57	63 76
27	T. Brannan, his account petty expenses (steward)	58	23 23
28	S. B. Anderson, board and lodging at St. Regis	59	113 30
29	C. Clark, entertainment for self and boatman	60	3 77
30	Lem. Warren, sundries as per bill	61	2 17
Nov. 4	Zerah Poor, his wages as boatman	62	66 00
5	S. B. Anderson, board and lodging at St. Regis	63	81 00
15	Joseph Delafield, his travelling expenses to New York from line	64	98 61
19	John Boyd, hire of wagon and horses 10 days returning to New York	65	40 00
21	N. Kinniston, expenses at his house	66	31 70
22	J. Putman, transportation and provisions	67	9 00
30	Theodore Bailey, postage on public account	68	13 87½
24	E. Bailey, transportation and horse feed	69	6 62
25	Joseph Delafield, his expenses going to St. Regis and for stationery	70	9 35

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The United States to S. Hawkins, agent under the 6th and 7th articles of the treaty of Ghent, for the following expenditures, during the year 1818, as per vouchers accompanying.

1818.		No.	Dolls. Cts.
May	5. F. Bullus, for provisions, as per voucher, - -	1	30 42
	6. E. W. Wilkins, for hams -	2	20 12
	6. P. Burtzell, for stationery -	3	32 00
	Capt. Bartholomew, steam boat passages - - -	4	28 50
	18. N. Skinner, for entertainment	5	8 50
	21. R. Aimes, for stage fare -	6	50 00
	21. J. Sherwood, steam-boat fare	7	27 00
	21. N. Hotchkiss, stage fare -	8	8 00
	22. Dyde & Martinans, Montreal	9	14 50
	22. P. S. Jossy, calash hire -	10	20 00
	25. S. Smallman, wagon hire -	11	11 00
June	8. P. B. Anderson, entertainment	12	32 30
	8. S. Chesly - - -	13	10 20
	15. J. Shivers, for provisions -	14	7 09
	19. C. Lusher, transportation -	15	15 65
	23. J. Fulton, storage - - -	16	4 00
	24. J. F. Strong, wages - - -	17	16 00
	28. S. W. Tucker, provisions -	18	15 00
	30. C. Dillabogh, board, &c. -	19	17 80
July	1. E. Adams, transportation -	20	8 00
	4. J. Eaton, for bread - - -	21	7 75
	8. L. Gray, wages - - -	22	24 00
	14. H. L. Hazen, repairs to boat	23	6 80
August	4. S. B. Anderson, entertainment	24	11 00
	4. N. Cleaves, provisions -	25	2 40
	6. D. Truesdall - - -	26	5 57
	6. N. Taylor & Co. provisions	27	36 53
	7. J. Colts, for stores, &c. -	28	144 70
	13. J. Kincaid, wagon hire -	29	8 00
	21. L. Poor, for provisions -	30	13 82
	30. J. Woodbury, board, &c. -	31	35 50
Sept.	21. J. Delafield, travelling expenses	32	50 00
Oct.	8. J. Landon, board and lodging	33	75 00
	13. J. Woodbury, provisions -	34	25 88
	21. T. Colham, boat hire -	35	3 00
	22. G. Brownson, entertainment	36	11 14
	24. L. Wilson, transportation -	37	7 75
Nov.	3. N. Hayes, entertainment -	38	4 07

ACCOUNT—Continued.

1818.		No.	Dolls. Cts.
Dec. 24.	J. Brannan, steward, his board	39	24 00
Oct. 19.	C. Kelsey, provisions -	40	5 00
Nov. 25.	J. Baird, for steward's board, omitted in 1817 - -	41	32 25
July 12	Joseph Delafield, his amount disbursements for provisions and other uses of camp, in May, June, and July, including travelling expenses of party to the line -	42	108 49
Aug. 13.	A. Pawling, for freight, camp equipage, &c. - -	43	4 00
15.	W. F. Pease, storage and cooperage	44	2 25
28.	D. White, sundries -	45	13 25
28.	J. Mosier - - -	46	5 50
July 17.	J. Kincaid, wagon hire -	47	3 50
Sept. 6.	Wm. Forsyth, sundries, board, &c.	48	29 50
July 15.	J. Brannan, his account provisions furnished - -	49	38 85
Aug. 25.	*Michael Daws, wages as boatman		24 00
25.	{ Walter Atkins - -		23 50
25.	{ Z. Paer, as cook and boatman		46 50
October,	Thomas Brannan, his wages, and disbursements by him at sundry times as steward - -	50	263 44
"	S. Hawkins, his account of travelling expenses - -	51	105 50
"	Joseph Delafield, his salary for the year ending April the 10th, 1819	52	1,000 00
			<u>\$2,578 52</u>
	Agent's salary, for the year ending 10th April, 1819 - -		4,444 44
			<u>\$7,022 96</u>

* I certify that these three vouchers, for boatmen's wages, were taken by me at the time of payment, and that the sums set opposite their names were paid to the said boatmen; that these, with others, (belonging to the agents' accounts) it is believed, were left on the line in a chest of papers, &c. of the agents; the amount of which cannot be ascertained.

JOSEPH DELAFIELD.

New York, November 12, 1819.

Account of expenditures made by S. Hawkins, United States Agent under the 6th and 7th articles of the Treaty of Ghent, commencing May 21, and ending November 1, 1819.

Date.	Expenditures.	Vouchers.	Dolls. Cts.
1819			
May 21	P. B. Bentsell, for stationery -	No. 1	44 41
Aug. 27	M. Noe, for postage -	2	5 39½
Sept. 23	Thomas Brannan, his salary -	3	200 00
Oct. 11	J. Delafield, his salary for half year	4	500 00
Nov. 1	Jos. Delafield, his amount traveling expenses, and other expenditures on the lines this season	5	218 40
			968 20½
Oct. 11	S. Hawkins, for salary due for the half year ending Oct. 11th, 1819	- -	2,222 22
			3,190 42½

Peter B. Porter's general account of expenses under 6th and 7th articles of the Treaty of Ghent, beginning on the 1st of November, 1817, and ending on the 13th of March, 1819.

1818.			
Novem. 5	To cash paid for the subsistence, transportation, travelling, and other contingent expenses of the American party employed in running the boundary line, under the 6th and 7th articles of the Treaty of Ghent, from the 1st of November, 1817, to the 5th of November, 1818, as per account herewith -		\$3,019 58
5	To cash paid for salaries and wages of assistant secretary, surveyors, and men, from the 13th of March, 1818, to the 13th of March, 1819, as per account herewith - - -		8,331 00½
		Dolls.	11,350 58½

February 20, 1819.

PETER B. PORTER.

An account of the expenses of the American Commissioner and his party, engaged in running the boundary line under the sixth and seventh articles of the Treaty of Ghent, from 1st Nov. 1817, to 5th Nov. 1818.

1817			
Nov. 1	To cash paid for expenses of assistant secretary and self, from Hamilton to St. Regis, and back, to hold a meeting of the board, absent 4 days; voucher No. 1,	-	64 00
Nov. 4	To cash paid Thomas Clinton, for sundry provisions; voucher No. 2,	-	92 42
Nov. 8	To cash paid Elijah Wilder, chain bearer, for his expenses to Albany; voucher No. 3,		30
Nov. 14	To cash paid for stage fare and expenses of assistant secretary and L. Baker, cook, from Sackett's Harbor to Albany; voucher No. 4,	- - - -	47 50
Nov. 14	To cash paid P. D. Adams, for travelling expenses of himself, Mr. Bird, and Mr. Rich. from Hamilton to Albany; voucher No. 5,	- - - -	112 68
1818			
May 1	To cash paid for stores, provisions, &c. including the whole travelling expenses of assistant secretary, self, and six men, from Hamilton to Sackett's Harbor, and of myself with four men to Black Rock; voucher No. 6,	- - - -	157 86½
May 1	To cash paid Prior and Dunning for stationery; voucher No. 7,	- - - -	21 56
May 2	To cash paid Peter Burtzell for stationery; voucher No. 8,	- - - -	59
May 4	To cash paid D. P. Adams for having barometer and thermometer repaired, retouching compass magnets, &c. voucher No. 9,		28
May 4	To cash paid Wm. A. Bird for travelling expenses from Albany to Hamilton; voucher No. 10,	- - - -	33 32
May 4	To cash paid D. P. Adams for travelling expenses of himself, Messrs. Darby, Delafield, and Gedney, and L. Baker, cook, from Albany to Hamilton, and of A. Dickey, from Utica to Hamilton; voucher No. 11,	- - - -	194 17
May 6	To cash paid D. P. Adams, for his expenses while engaged in completing his map, including drawing paper, &c. from 13th of Nov. 1817, to 6th May, 1818; voucher No. 12,	- - - -	234 25

ACCOUNT—Continued.

1818			
May 9	To cash paid for expenses of assistant secretary at Montreal, while collecting stores, shipping, and axe men; voucher No. 13,	\$ 13 94	
May 10	To cash advanced to assistant secretary for passage of batteau through locks, up tow paths, and other necessary expenses from Montreal to Hamilton; voucher No. 14,	19 85	
May 11	To cash paid Grant and Duff, for repairing batteau, new oars, cable, poles, storage, &c. at La Chine; voucher No. 15,	20 21	
May 15	To cash paid Thomas Clinton, for expenses of camp, from 23d of December, 1817, to 24th June, 1818; voucher No. 16,	253 06	
May 15	To cash paid Guernsey and Clark, for pork, beef, cheese, &c. voucher No. 17,	463	
June 5	To cash paid Noah Dickinson, at Cornwall, for pork; voucher No. 18,	6 80	
June 5	To cash paid P. Taylor & Co. St. Regis, for bread, &c. voucher No. 19,	6 12½	
June 5	To cash paid Guy C. Wood, for transportation of stores, &c. voucher No. 20,	4	
June 8	To cash paid for wagon hire to and from St. Regis, when the board met on 5th instant; voucher No. 21,	10 62½	
June 8	To cash paid for expenses of boatmen while going to and at St. Regis; voucher No. 22,	5 10	
June 22	To cash paid P. Taylor & Co. for provisions, board, &c. voucher No. 23,	34 29	
June 24	To cash paid P. Taylor & Co. for provisions board, &c. voucher No. 24,	4 35	
July 6	To cash paid R. Gregory, for a skiff; voucher No. 25,	10	
July 8	To cash paid captain Lusher, for transportation of stores from Genessee river to camp; voucher No. 26,	1 62½	
July 8	To cash paid L. & S. Dennison, for paint, &c. voucher No. 27,	10 68½	
July 10	To cash paid for expenses of assistant secretary, going to Ogdensburg, to receive stores and direct the forwarding in future; voucher No. 28,	5 50	
July 19	To cash paid C. Hutchinson, for injury done his grass encamping thereon; voucher No. 29,	2 50	

ACCOUNT—Continued.

1818		
July 27	To cash paid Thomas Clinton, for expenses of camp; voucher No. 30, - -	\$ 158 68½
Aug. 3	To cash paid James Starkweather, for medicine; voucher No. 31, - -	6 71
Aug. 4	To cash paid L. & S. Dennison, for cordage, lead, &c. voucher No. 32, - -	10 08
Sept. 10	To cash paid Thomas Clinton for expenses of camp; voucher No. 33, - -	229 42
Sept. 19	To cash paid Alexander Jaffroi, for three gallons of tar; voucher No. 34, -	3
Sept. 21	To cash paid Jabez Colt, for stores at Montreal; voucher No. 35, - -	367 15
Oct. 2	To cash paid J. & D. P. Ross, being a balance on former account; voucher No. 36, -	22 17
Nov. 5	To cash paid Thomas Clinton, for expenses of camp; voucher No. 37, - -	276 28½
	Dollars,	3,019 58

Account of salaries and wages of Assistant Secretary, Surveyors, and Men, employed in running the Boundary Line under the 6th and 7th articles of the Treaty of Ghent, from the 1st of March, 1818, to the 1st of March, 1819.

1819.		
Aug. 1	To salary of major Donald Frazer, assistant secretary to the board, from 1st March, 1818, to 1st March, 1819, as per voucher No. 1 - - - -	\$2,200
	To salary of David P. Adams, astronomical surveyor to the board, from 1st March, 1818, to 1st March, 1819; voucher No. 2	2,000
	To salary of William C. Bird, trigonometrical surveyor to the board, from 1st March, 1818, to 1st March, 1819; voucher No. 3	1,200
	To salary of William Darby, trigonometrical surveyor to the board from 1st of May, 1818, to 31st July, 1818, voucher No. 4	300
	To salary of Richard Delafield, draftsman to the board, from 1st May, 1818, to November 15th, 1818; voucher No. 5 -	600

ACCOUNT—Continued.

1819.		
Aug. 31	To cash paid C. Swarz, draftsman, for drafting map of St. Lawrence; voucher No. 6	210
	To salary of Thomas Clinton, steward to the party; voucher No. 7	365
	To wages of Thomas Gedney, chain-bearer, at \$30 per month, from 1st May to 15th November; voucher No. 8	195
	To wages of Antonio Camara, chain-bearer, at \$30 per month, from 15th May to 15th June, 1818; voucher No. 9	30
	To wages of Charles Davenport, prime hand, at \$22 per month, from 20th May to 15th November, 1818; voucher No. 10	128 66
	To wages of Leonard Baker, cook, at \$20 per month, from 1st May to 15th November, 1818; voucher No. 11	130
	To wages of Adam W. H. Dickey, boat and axeman, at \$16 per month, from 13th May to 15th November, 1818; voucher No. 12	104
	To wages of Guesta Plomedou, boat and axeman, at \$16 per month, from 5th May to 15th November, 1818; voucher No. 13	101 33 $\frac{1}{3}$
	To wages of Joseph Plomedou, do. No. 14	101 33 $\frac{1}{3}$
	do Simon Plomedou, do. No. 15	101 33 $\frac{1}{3}$
	do Joseph La Bonta, do. No. 16	101 33 $\frac{1}{3}$
	do Michel La Rivierre, do. No. 17	101 33 $\frac{1}{3}$
	do Basil Lombare, do. No. 18	101 33 $\frac{1}{3}$
	do John B. Le Tondre, do. No. 19	101 33 $\frac{1}{3}$
	do Augustus Berion, do. do. from 5th May to 31st August, 1818; voucher No. 20	61 41
	To wages of Edward Bryan, boat and axeman, at \$16 per month, from 12th May to 15th November, 1818; voucher No. 21	97 60
		8,331 00 $\frac{1}{3}$

[Enclosure in P. B. Porter's letter to Secretary of State, of 2d December, 1820.]

The Boundary Commission, for moneys expended in execution of the sixth article of the treaty of Ghent,

To Peter B. Porter,

DR.

DATE.	No. of Vouchers.	CONTINGENCIES.	DOLS. CTS.	DOLS. CTS.
1817.				
Nov. 1	1	To cash paid for expenses of assistant secretary and self, from Hamilton to St. Regis and back, to hold a meeting of the board, (absent 9 days) - - - - -	64	00
4	2	To cash paid Thomas Clinton, for sundry provisions, &c. - - - - -	92	42
8	3	To cash paid Elijah Wilder, chain-bearer, for his expenses to Albany - - - - -	30	00
14	4	To cash paid for stage fare and expenses of assistant secretary, and L. Baker, cook, from Sackett's Harbor to Albany - - - - -	47	50
14	5	To cash paid D. P. Adams, for travelling expenses of himself, Mr. Bird, and Mr. Rich, from Hamilton to Albany - - - - -	112	68
27	6	To cash paid for stores, provisions, &c. including the whole travelling expenses of assistant secretary, self, and <i>six</i> men, from Hamilton to Sackett's Harbor, and of myself with <i>four</i> men to Black Rock - - - - -	157	86½
1818.				
May 1	7	To cash paid Prior and Dunning, for stationery - - - - -	21	56
2	8	To cash paid Peter Burtzell, for stationery - - - - -	59	00
4	9	To cash paid D. P. Adams, for having barometer and thermometer repaired, retouching compasses, &c. - - - - -	28	00

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DATE.	No. of Vouchers.	CONTINGENCIES.	DOLS. CTS.	DOLS. CTS.
1818.				
May 4	10	To cash paid William A. Bird, for travelling expenses from Albany to Hamilton - - - - -	33	32
4	11	To cash paid D. P. Adams, for travelling expenses of himself, Messrs. Darby, Delafield, and Gedney, and L. Baker, cook, from Albany to Hamilton, and of A. Dickey, from Utica to Hamilton	194	17
6	12	To cash paid D. P. Adams, for his expenses while engaged in completing his map, including drawing paper, &c. from 13th November, 1817, to 6th May, 1818 - - - - -	234	25
9	13	To cash paid for expenses of assistant secretary at Montreal, while collecting stores, shipping men, &c. - - - - -	13	94
10	14	To cash paid assistant secretary for passage of batteau through locks, up tow paths, and other necessary expenses from Montreal to Hamilton - - - - -	19	50
11	15	To cash paid Grant and Duff, for repairs of batteau, new oars, poles, cables, &c. - - - - -	20	21
15	16	To cash paid Thomas Clinton, for expenses of the camp, from 23d December, 1817, to 24th June, 1818 - - - - -	253	06½
15	17	To cash paid Guernsey and Clark, for pork, beef, &c. - - - - -	422	05
June 5	18	To cash paid Noah Dickinson, for pork - - - - -	6	80
5	19	To cash paid P. Taylor & Co. for bread, &c. - - - - -	6	12½
5	20	To cash paid Guy C. Wood, for transporting stores - - - - -	4	00

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June	8	21	To cash paid for wagon hire to and from St. Regis, when board met on 5th instant - - - - -	10 62½
	8	22	To cash paid for expenses of a waiter while going to and at St. Regis - - - - -	5 10
	22	23	To cash paid P. Taylor, for provisions, boards, &c. - - - - -	34 29
	24	24	Do do do - - - - -	4 35
July	6	25	To cash paid R. Gregory, for a skiff - - - - -	10 00
	8	26	To cash paid captain Lusher, for transportation of stores from Genessee river to camp - - - - -	1 62½
	8	27	To cash paid L. and S. Dennison, for paint, &c. - - - - -	10 68½
	10	28	To cash paid expenses of assistant secretary going to Ogdensburgh to receive stores, and direct the forwarding in future - - - - -	5 50
	19	29	To cash paid C. Hutchinson, for injury done his grass, encamping thereon - - - - -	2 50
	27	30	To cash paid Thomas Clinton, for expenses of camp - - - - -	158 68½
August	3	31	To cash paid James Starkwether, for medicines - - - - -	6 71
	4	32	To cash paid L. and S. Dennison, for cordage, lead, &c. - - - - -	10 08
Sep.	10	33	To cash paid Thomas Clinton, for expenses of camp - - - - -	229 42
	19	34	To cash paid Alexander Jaffroi, for 3 gallons of tar - - - - -	3 00
	21	35	To cash paid Jabez Colt, for stores at Montreal - - - - -	367 15
Oct.	2	36	To cash paid J. and D. P. Ross, being a balance on former account - - - - -	22 17
Nov.	5	37	To cash paid Thomas Clinton, for expenses of camp - - - - -	276 28½
	5	38	To cash paid, O. M. Hedden's bill for transportation - - - - -	38 00
	6	39	To cash paid for a theodolite, bought of Wm. Darby, per account and receipt - - - - -	120 00
	5	40	To cash paid R. Delafield, for expenses and transportation from camp to Albany - - - - -	20 00
	6	41	To cash paid T. R. Gedney do do - - - - -	20 00
	6	42	To cash paid L. Baker do do - - - - -	20 00

ACCOUNT—Continued.

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DATE.	No. of Vouchers.	CONTINGENCIES.	DOLS. CTS.	DOLS. CTS.
1818.				
Nov. 13	43	Cash paid, Capt. W. Merrit's bill for passages and transportation of men and baggage of Mr. Bird's party from Sackett's harbor to Niagara - - - - -	40 00	
14	44	To cash paid I. & D. P. Ross, bill of sundries from Montreal - - - - -	35 10	
25	45	To cash paid A. Dickey for expenses and transportation from Niagara to Albany - - - - -	18 00	
26	46	To cash paid C. Clikeman's bill for wood for office - - - - -	5 50	
26	47	To cash paid for sawing wood - - - - -	50	
26		To cash paid Spencer Stafford & Co's bill for axe, candlesticks, &c. - - - - -	2 93½	
1819.				
Jan. 15	48	To cash paid Mr. Bird's bill of stationery purchased by him - - - - -	2 00	
22	49	Garrett Houghtailing's bill for wood for office - - - - -	2 75	
28	50	D. Hagler do do - - - - -	2 75	
29	51	Robinson & Vanderbilt for drawing boards, &c. - - - - -	5 67½	
Feb. 8	52	D. Steele's bill of stationery - - - - -	1 37	
9	53	M. Smith's do. do. - - - - -	2 25	
25	54	D. Longworth's do. do. - - - - -	44	
25	55	T. Dobson's bill for drawing paper and other stationery - - - - -	50 77	
March 1	56	Wm. A. Bird's bill of expenses from Albany to Philadelphia and back, to hire a draftsman, procure drawing paper, &c. - - - - -	58 00	
				3,424 67

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CASH PAID—SALARIES AND WAGES.

March	1	59	Major D. Frazer's salary as assistant secretary for one year, from March 1st, 1818, to this time	-	-	-	-	2,200
	1	60	D. P. Adams', astronomical surveyor, for same time	-	-	-	-	2,000
	1	61	W. A. Bird, trigonometrical surveyor, for same time	-	-	-	-	1,200
	1	62	Wm. Darby, do. do. three months, from May to August	-	-	-	-	300
	1	63	R. Delafield, draftsman, May 1st to November 15th	-	-	-	-	600
	1	64	C. Swarz, for drafting, in the spring of 1818	-	-	-	-	210
		65	Thomas Clinton, as steward, one year's salary	-	-	-	-	365
		66	Thomas Gedney, as chain bearer, from 1st May to 15th Nov. at \$30 per month	-	-	-	-	195
		67	A. Camara, as chain bearer, from 15th May to 15th June, at \$30 per month	-	-	-	-	30
		68	C. Davenport, prime hand, 20th May to 10th November, at \$22 per month	-	-	-	-	128 66
		69	L. Baker, cook, from 1st May to 10th Nov. at \$20 per month	-	-	-	-	130
		70	A. Dickey, boat and axeman, 1st May to 10th Nov. at \$16 per month	-	-	-	-	104
		71	G. Plomedou, boat and axeman, 5th May to 15th Nov. at \$16 per month	-	-	-	-	101 33 $\frac{1}{3}$
		72	J. Plomedou, do do do do	-	-	-	-	101 33 $\frac{1}{3}$
		73	S. Plomedou, do do do do	-	-	-	-	101 33 $\frac{1}{3}$
		74	J. La Bonta, do do do do	-	-	-	-	101 33 $\frac{1}{3}$
		75	M. La Riverre, do do do do	-	-	-	-	101 33 $\frac{1}{3}$
		76	Basil Lombare, do do do do	-	-	-	-	101 33 $\frac{1}{3}$
		77	J.B. Le Tondre, do do do do	-	-	-	-	101 33 $\frac{1}{3}$
		78	A. Berion, do do 31st Aug. do	-	-	-	-	61 41

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DATE.	No. of Vouchers.	CASH PAID—CONTINGENCIES.	DOLS. CTS.	DOLS. CTS.
1819.	79	E. Brian, boat and axeman, 12th May to 15th Nov. at \$16 per month	97 60	
	80	L. Baker, for attending the office from Nov. 11th, 1818, to May 1st 1819, viz: five months and 20 days, at \$10 per month	56 56	
				8,387 66 $\frac{1}{3}$
		CONTINGENCIES.		
April 29	81	J. Hank's bill for repairing Theodolite	2 50	
10	82	Benj. Pike's bill for a Telescope bought of him	30	
24	83	Robinson and Vanderbilt for draft boards, &c.	2 19	
15	84	D. P. Adams's bill, travelling expenses, stationery, &c.	72 54	
16	85	Minerva Library, bill for quills	2	
17	86	Peter Burtzell's do stationery	101 25	
20	87	W. Deforest's do for lines	4 12 $\frac{1}{2}$	
22	88	Anthony & Arcularius, bill for groceries	191 32	
29	89	J. & A. F. Baird's bill for boarding Mr. Adams from November to April	155 50	
30	90	J. & A. F. Baird's bill for wood and sundries for office	36 67	
30	91	C. A. Leseur, draftsman, for his board and travelling expenses	92 50	
30	92	J. Loomis's bill for office rent, &c.	106	
May 1	93	W. A. Bird, trigonometrical surveyor, bill for boarding	85	
1	94	L. Baker's (man attending office) bill for boarding	60	

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May	1	95	W. A. Bird's bill for travelling expenses from Sackett's Harbor to Niagara, and thence to Albany, in November, 1818	-	-	35
	4	96	James Ferguson, assistant surveyor, bill of boarding	-	-	60
	4	97	To cash paid Mr. Bagg's bill, boarding a man with baggage	-	-	3 75
	6	98	To cash paid, bill of travelling expenses of Messrs. Bird, Ferguson, and party, from Albany to Sackett's Harbor	-	-	71
	12	99	To cash paid sundry bills for board and other expenses of same party at Sackett's Harbor	-	-	81 93
		100	To cash paid L. & S. Dennison's bill, for freight and transportation of sundry articles from New York and Albany to Sackett's Harbor	-	-	46 28
	20	101	Seven small bills for sundries at Sackett's Harbor	-	-	28 72
	22	102	Small bills for sundries at Kingston	-	-	7 38½
June	2	103	J. Charles for transportation	-	-	2
	7		J. Shepherd for board of Captain Douglass	-	-	1 33⅓
	17	104	J. Shepherd's bill for transportation, &c.	-	-	3
	24	105	Porter & Barton's bill, for transporting provisions, boats, &c.	-	-	54 97
			For a tin horn	-	-	25
	24	106	J. Delafield's bill, advertising for a theodolite	-	-	4 50
July	1	107	S. Hooker's bill for repairing boats	-	-	8 75
	21	108	O. Newberry's bill for shot, hooks, &c.	-	-	1 81
	22	109	S. H. Salisbury's bill for stationery	-	-	8 70
	23	110	S. Bosworth's bill for repairing theodolite	-	-	50
	23	111	J. Guiteau's bill for paint for boats	-	-	1 38
	24	112	J. A. Coe's bill for 12 tin caps or globes, for station poles	-	-	16 19
	24	113	J. A. Coe's bill for copper for row locks	-	-	1 19
	27	114	S. Tucker's bill for making sails for new boat	-	-	6
		115	R. King's bill for paints, and painting do.	-	-	14 93
	28	116	R. Ree's bill for an axe and spear	-	-	1

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DATE.	N ^o . of Vouchers.	CASH PAID—CONTINGENCIES.	DOLS. CTS.	DOLS. CTS.
1819.				
July 28	117	A. Stannard's bill for the new boat "Lady of the Lake" -	156	92½
July	118	H. & W. Delafield's bill for a theodolite imported from England -	212	96
July	119	Guernsey & Clark's bill for provisions for Commissioner -	495	
	120	For cheese, by Major Fraser -	1	05
August 6	121	W. A. Bird's bill of expenses, &c. with party from Black Rock to Cunningham's Island in a boat -	5	94
	8	Steam boat bill for freight -	3	
	8	Austin, a hand, for clothes lost -	8	
	11	J. Guiteau's bill for medicine -	68½	
	12	Steam boat bill for freight -	1	50
	14	Do. do. -	14	
	14	J. Sill's bill for biscuit -	10	
	25	N. Brown for transportation of theodolite from New York -	2	87
	28	Steward of steam boat for articles for the sick -	2	75
	29	J. Adams for twine -	50	
Sep. 4	131	C. Johnson's bill for fresh meat, &c. -	17	25
	4	S. Johnson's bill for meat, vegetables, &c. -	10	86
	10	D. Hill's bill for butter and vegetables, milk, &c. -	14	61
	18	W. Delbitt's bill for sundries for the camp -	11	93
	18	Major Fraser for provisions, &c. purchased -	1	
	20	Secretary Fraser's expenses to Detroit to get hands, &c. -	10	
	29	D. Pastorus's bill for powder, shot, &c. -	4	

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October 18	138	W. De Witt's bill for provisions, and articles for sick &c.	-	66 60½
Nov. 1	139	Sill, Thompson & Co's. bill for transportation of the party from Detroit to Black Rock, schooner American Eagle, freight, &c.	169 04	
3	140	W. De Witt's bill of boarding, while employed as copying clerk in the office, and expenses from Black Rock to Albany, while employed as a chain bearer	- - - - -	76
5	141	Steam boat for passages of three sick men from Detroit to Black Rock, and freight	- - - - -	25
5	142	R. Smyth's bill at Detroit	- - - - -	11
5	143	D. B. Douglas, assistant surveyor, bill of travelling expenses	-	94
5	144	Thomas Clinton, steward, bill of sundries	-	683 66½
				<hr/> 3,517 29¼

SALARIES AND WAGES.

1820.				
March 1	145	Donald Fraser, his salary as secretary for one year, from March 1, 1819, to this time	- - - - -	2,200
1	146	D. P Adams, assistant surveyor, his salary from March 1, to April 15, 1819, one and an half months at \$2,000 per annum	-	250
1	147	D. B. Douglass, assistant surveyor, his salary for six months, from April 15, to October 15, 1819, at \$2,000 per annum	-	1,000
1	148	W. A. Bird, as trigonometrical surveyor, from March 1, to October 15, 1819, 7½ months at \$1,200 per annum	750 00	
		W. A. Bird, as assistant surveyor, from Oct. 16, to March 1, 4½ months at \$2,000 per annum	- 750 00	
				<hr/> 1,500
1	149	James Ferguson assistant surveyor, from February 10, to November, 1819, 8⅔ months at \$1,000 per annum	722 23	

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DATE.	No. of Vouchers.	CASH PAID—SALARIES AND WAGES.	DOLS. CTS.	DOLS. CTS.
1820.				
		James Ferguson, as trigonometrial surveyor, from November 1, 1819, to March 1, 1820, four months at \$1,200 per annum - - - - -	400 00	
				1,122 23
March	1 150	C. A. Leseur, as drafstman, 58 days, at \$3 per day, in March and April, 1819 - - - - -		174
	1 151	Lewis G. De Russy, as draftsman, from May 15, 1819, to this time, at \$1,000 per annum - - - - -		791 67
	1 152	Thomas Clinton, steward, for one year - - - - -		365
	1 153	W. H. Dewitt, as copying clerk and chain bearer, from January 4, to November 3, at \$30 per month - - - - -		300
	1 154	Leonard Baker, cook, from May 1 to October 15, at \$20 per month - - - - -		130
	1 155	David Gay, boat and axe man, for three months and one day's services, from June 19, to September 20, at \$14 per month - - - - -		42 47
	1 156	L. Hurlbut, boat and axe man, from May 11 to Sept. 15, do. - - - - -		70 20
	1 157	J. Howk, do. do. from June 24 to Oct. 11, do. - - - - -		49
	1 158	M. Banks, do. do. from May 10 to Oct. 11, do. and		
	1 159	expenses home - - - - -		75
	1	J. Van Nonnan, do. from June 19 to Oct. 11, do. - - - - -		52 26
	1 160	T. Case do. do. from June 22 to do. do. - - - - -		31 33
	1 161	Thomas Horton, do. from June 25 to Sept. 20, do. - - - - -		39 66

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March	1	162	Daniel Austin, do.	do.	from May 10, to Oct. 11, and ex-		
			penses home	-	-	79	
	1	163	Henry Johnson,	do.	three and an half months	49	
	1	164	A. Davis	do.	from May 12, to Oct. 12, and ex-		
			penses	-	-	75	
	1	165	G. W. Fisher, do.	do.	four days in May	2 12½	
	1	166	A. Perry,	do.	May 10, to June 2	10 72	
	1	167	S. P. Hill,	do.	2d to 17th June,	7 46½	
	1	168	H. Hyde,	do.	two days	1	
	1	169	E. Barrett	do.	August 21, to Sept. 4	7	
	1	170	S. Johnson	do.	two days	1	
	1	171	Vermilye, Hever, M'Pherson and Devinne, four United States				
			soldiers, for one month's work each, per receipts	-	-	24	
							8,469 13
CONTINGENCIES.							
	14	172	Peter Burtzell's bill of stationery	-	-	41	
		173	Mulder and Montgomery's bill of groceries	-	-	37 70	
April	20	174	S. Clark's bill, 4 bbls. 1 hog pork, at \$14	-	-	56	
	20	175	A. S. Clark's bill, 4 bbls. mess pork, at \$17	-	-	68	
	22	176	J. Archer's bill for transportation of groceries, &c. from Albany				
			to Black Rock	-	-	11 58	
May	1	177	D. Sackett's bill for a sextant bought of him	-	-	80	
	1	178	J. Sill's do. for hard bread	-	-	25 34	
		179	P. D. Shouck's bill for attending surveyor's office during winter	-	-	15	
	5	180	Capt. D. B. Douglass' bill for a chronometer	-	-	210	
	8	181	J. Fairbank's do. in July, 1819	-	-	7 50	
	11	182	J. Chamberlin's do. for fresh beef, &c.	-	-	20 95	

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DATE.	No. of Vouchers.	CASH PAID—CONTINGENCIES.	DOLS. CTS.	DOLS. CTS.
May 11	183	Sill, Thompson, & Co.'s bill for transportation of the party (15 persons) with two boats, provisions, and baggage, from Black Rock to Detroit river, in schooner Michigan - -	150	
29	184	J. Scott's bill for coffee and tea - - - - -	11 56	
29	185	A. Bryant's bill for tumblers - - - - -	3 62½	
30	186	L. Brace's bill for butter and beans - - - - -	10 84	
30	187	H. Daw's bill for blacksmith work on boats, &c. - - - - -	16 23	
30	188	James Mason's bill for carpenter's work - - - - -	24 87	
30	189	D. M'Gill's bill for painting boats - - - - -	5	
July 3	190	Steamboat, for passage of surveyor Best and freight - - - - -	15	
17	191	D. G. Jones' bill for sundries - - - - -	4 93	
18	192	Stannard and Bidwell's bill for building new boat, &c. - - - - -	79 13	
9	193	C. T. Payne's bill for mending telescope - - - - -	1 25	
9	194	T. J. Wendall's bill for sundries - - - - -	2 25	
15	195	E. Brook's bill for hard bread - - - - -	1 50	
27	196	J. Sill's bill for boarding Bird and Ferguson last spring - - - - -	12 50	
Sep. 12	197	do do hard bread - - - - -	64 08	
Oct. 16	198	B. Delavan for medicines - - - - -	5	
16	198	E. Brooks for hire of a large boat to move camp - - - - -	10	
Nov. 8	199	W. A. Bird's account, with vouchers, for sundry articles of stationery purchased and expenses while out surveying - - - - -	43 25	
10	200	Secretary Fraser's 5 bills of expenses at sundry times - - - - -	9 68½	

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Nov.	10	201	Thomas Clinton's (steward) account, with 93 vouchers, for purchase of provisions, camp equipage, &c. for the use of the commission	771 96
	10	202	Sill, Thompson, & Co's bill for the charter of the schooner Red Jacket, while engaged in surveying the islands in Lake Huron and St. Mary's streights, from July 1st to October 20th, $3\frac{2}{3}$ months, at \$300 per month	1,100
	10	203	Thomas Clinton's bill for the rent of an office and store room for the past year	60
				<hr/> 2,955 76

SALARIES AND WAGES.

			D. Fraser, secretary, one year's salary	2,200
			W. A. Bird, assistant surveyor, one year's salary	2,000
			J. Ferguson, trigonometrical surveyor, do	1,200
			L. G. De Russy, draftsman, do	1,000
	208		W. Best, assistant surveyor, from May 1st to Oct. 22d, at three dollars per day	525
	209		T. Clinton, steward, one year, to March 1st, 1821	365
	210		F. Cooper, cook, wages 5 months, at \$15 per month	75
	211		J. Lille, boat and axeman, 5 months and 21 days, at \$13 per m.	73 66
	212		J. Hale, do do do do	73 66
	213		N. Wakefield, do do do do	73 66
	214		A. Russell, do do do do	73 66
	215		J. Fanshaw, do 5 months and 17 days do	72 12
	216		John Grant, do 4 months at \$13 per month	52
	217		Nich. Swan, do 4 do do do	52
	218		A. Davis, do 3 do do do	39
	219		M. Banks, do 2 do and 4 days, at \$13 per month	27 67½

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DATE.	No. of Vouchers.	CASH PAID—SALARIES AND WAGES.	DOLS. CTS.	DOLS. CTS.
1820.				
	220	W. L. Bellinger, boat & axe man, 2 mo. and 19 days, at \$15 per m.	33 96	
	221	C. Hilse, seaman, axe and boatman, 3 $\frac{2}{3}$ months, at \$16 per month	58 67	
	222	E. Welsh, do do 5 months and 21 days, at \$15 per month - - - - -	85	
	223	C. Stannard do do 3 do and 20 days, at \$13 -	47 67	
	224	W. Miller do do 3 do do at \$12 -	44	
				8,171 73 $\frac{1}{2}$
		Total expense from November, 1817, to March, 1821 -	- -	34,926 25

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REMARKS.

These accounts embrace every species of disbursement by the American government, on account of the commission, for the period to which they relate, excepting the salary of the commissioner and the salaries and subsistence of the agency.

They do not exhibit the *equalized* expenses of the two governments, but the actual expenditures of the American government. It is known, however, that the expenditures by the two parties have not differed essentially in amount, and, at the close of the commission, they will be brought together and equalized.

A few barrels of pork and some other provisions, charged in this account, have been delivered over to the British party when in need of them, and charged. They will be hereafter accounted for by them.

For the first year I made some charges for my travelling expenses, in conformity with the practice which I was informed by one of the commissioners under the treaty of 1794 had been pursued by him and his colleague. But, since the year 1817, I have made no charges of this nature.

P. B. PORTER.

Black Rock, December 2, 1820.

At a meeting of the Board of Commissioners under the fifth article of the treaty of Ghent, held at Burlington, in the state of Vermont, on the 21st day of May, 1818, the following account, exhibited by the British agent, together with the vouchers accompanying the same, from A to N inclusive, was examined, passed, and allowed, and ordered to be paid, in moieties, by the agents of the respective governments, to wit:

Dr. The Commission under the fifth article of the treaty of Ghent.

To WARD CHIPMAN, H. B. M. Agent.

		N. B. Currency.	L.	s.	d.
1817. June.	To amount paid Coolidge & Deblois, for provisions, utensils, and equipments, furnished in Boston, for the surveying parties, per their account		100	00	10
November.	To do. paid Crookshank and Johnston, for provisions, utensils, and equipments furnished, and expenses of transportation, board and lodging of the men, &c. paid at St. Johns, N. B. for the same, per their account		1,119	16	5½
C	To amount paid Peter Fraser, do. do. at Fredericktown, N. B. per his account		688	7	7½
D	Amount of Colin Campbell assistant surveyor's account of expenditures made by him on the survey		42	6	4
E	Amount of Richard Smith's account for passages and freight on the river St. John		56	5	
F	Amount of pay due the British party on the exploring survey in 1817, per abstract		580	15	
H	Amount of Colin Campbell's pay, as assistant surveyor in 1817, 150 days, at 25 shillings per diem		187	10	
G	Amount of pay due the British on the actual survey in 1817, per abstract		540		
I	Amount of William Whitney's bill for copying accounts		3	5	
K	Amount of W. Reynold's do. for stationery		5	16	4
L	Amount of J. C. F. Bremuel's do. for postage		2	15	6
M	Amount of W. Pagan's do. for do.		1	5	
N	Amount of Colonel Bouchitte's account for expense		51	10	9
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			3,379 13 9		
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			Sterling, 3,041 14 5		
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Signed, W. CHIPMAN, Agent for H. B. M.
Burlington, 21st May, 1818.

\$ 13,518 75

The following account, exhibited by the American agent, together with the vouchers accompanying the same, from A to O inclusive, was examined, passed, and allowed, and in like manner ordered to be paid, in moiety, by the agents of the respective governments, to wit:

Dr. The Commissioners under the fifth article of the treaty of Ghent,
To WILLIAM C. BRADLEY,
Agent of the United States, under said article.

		Dolls.	Cents.
A	Paid Mr. Orne, secretary, his salary for nine months, ending June 27, 1817 - - -	1,666	66
B	I. Dove and Co.'s bill for provisions, utensils, equipments, and transportation of parties from Boston to St. Johns - - -	2,047	22
C	R. Powers, for expenses and transportation of party from the portage to Burlington - -	554	16
D	Paid J. Johnson, for expenditures by him on public account - - -	253	57
E	Charles Turner, jr. for do. do. and for transportation of himself and men, from St. John's to Boston - - -	236	23
F	L. Murryman, for expenses and transportation of G. Willard, a chain-bearer - - -	8	00
G	J. Jones, and Co. for advances made at Quebec - - -	12	50
H	Horatio Gates and nephew, on account do. at Montreal - - -	51	62
I	To chain-bearers and laborers on the exploring survey, as per abstract furnished - - -	2,728	21
K	Do. on the actual survey, as per do. - - -	2,827	50
L	The assistant surveyor, at rate fixed by the commissioners, for 150 days - - -	750	00
M	To carriage of packets to the British agent - - -	1	00
N	Lyman Cummings, for copying papers, &c. - - -	15	00
O	Paid Horace Fletcher, for copying papers, &c. - - -	10	00
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		11,161	67

WILLIAM C. BRADLEY,

May 21, 1818.

Agent United States.

At a meeting of the Board of Commissioners under the fifth article of the treaty of Ghent, held at the city of New York, on the 20th day of May, A. D. 1819, the following account, exhibited by the agent on the part of his Britannic Majesty, together with the vouchers accompanying the same, from I. to VII. inclusive, was examined, passed, and allowed, and ordered to be paid, in moieties, by the agents of the respective governments, to wit:

Dr. The Commission under the fifth article of the treaty of Ghent,
To WARD CHIPMAN, H. B. M. Agent.

1819.

	N. B. Currency.
	L. s. d.
To amount of expenditure made by the British agent, for the pay and supply of the British on the exploring survey, in the year 1818, per the schedule, and the abstract and vouchers accompanying the same	1,681 7 2
II. To cash paid for the British party and the astronomers on the parallel of 45 degrees, per schedule and the vouchers accompanying it	477 19 5½
III. To amount paid A. Rositer for copying in Montreal	2 0 0
IV. To cash paid Peter Fraser, amount of two orders drawn upon him by the British and American surveyors for services in the year 1817, and not included in the accounts of last year	3 0 0
V. To cash paid Col. Buchette, his expenses in attending the commission at Burlington, in May, 1818, by order of the board	15 0 0
VI. To cash paid Mr. Odell, his expenses in going from New Brunswick to Burlington, by order of the Board	37 10 0
VII. To cash paid do. expenses at Burlington and returning to New Brunswick	28 18 11
To sum allowed British agent for passages, &c. from New Brunswick to Burlington, per order of the Board, May 22, 1818	37 10 0
To the amount allowed Col. Buchette, by the Board, for extra assistance and stationery, in the winter of 1817 and 1818, in preparing plans, and not included in last year's accounts	15 0 0
To amount, Mr. Campbell, assistant surveyor, by the Board, for extra services in settling accounts of the surveys, preparing his plan, &c. report, &c. in the winter of 1817 and 1818, not included in last year's accounts	47 0 0
To amount paid for postage	2 7 3
	<hr/> 2,347 12 9
	<hr/> Sterling, 2,112 17 6
	<hr/> \$9,390 55

WARD CHIPMAN,

His Brit. Maj. Agent.

The following account exhibited by the Agent on the part of the United States, together with the vouchers accompanying the same, from I to IX inclusive, was examined, passed, and ordered to be paid in moieties by the agents of the respective governments.

DR. *The Commission under the fifth article of the Treaty of Ghent,*
To WILLIAM C. BRADLEY,
 Agent of the United States.

I. To cash paid N. Hayes for session room, in 1818	34 00
II. To cash paid H. H. Orne, secretary, salary, from June 23, 1817, to June 1, 1818	2,085 00
III. To cash paid for pork, bread, utensils, and sundry outfits for the astronomical and surveying parties, as per abstract A, with vouchers numbered from 1 to 43	2,174 27
IV. To cash paid wages of assistants, and men employed with the astronomers, as per vouchers numbered from 1 to 14, accompanying abstract B	2,172 08
V. To cash paid assistants and laborers employed in the exploring survey, as per abstract C, and vouchers numbered from 1 to 17	2,752 50
VI. To sum paid R. Powers, for his expenditure for transportation, provisions, and occasional labor, on the exploring survey, as per abstract B, with vouchers from 1 to 58	1,533 00
VII. To cash paid E. Chamberlain, for board of men in 1817, not received in season for last account	42 85
VIII. To sum paid H. Chittenden, commissary on the part of the British and American governments, for his expenditures made on account of the astronomers of both governments, with their respective parties, while engaged in their operation during the season of 1818, with abstract VIII., and vouchers marked from 1 to 171	6,062 11½
IX. To sum paid H. Burnham and W. Lewis, for assistance, and writing for the surveyors, during the winter of 1818 and 1819	248 00

\$14,103 81½

WILLIAM C. BRADLEY,

Agent for the United States.

At a meeting of the Board of Commissioners under the fifth article of the treaty of Ghent, held at Boston, in the state of Massachusetts, the 25th day of May, 1820, the Agent of H. B. M. presented to the Board his account of expenditures, in the words and figures following, to wit:

Dr. The Commissioners under the fifth article of the Treaty of Ghent,
To WARD CHIPMAN, H. B. M. Agent.

To amount allowed the British agent for the hire of a vessel to convey himself and the British surveyor from St. John's to Boston, on their way to attend the session of the board in New York, in May, 1819, per order of the board	\$240	60	0	0
To amount paid Mrs. Satterwhite for the rent of a room, fuel, &c. for the session of the board, May, 1819, per order of the board		25	0	0
To amount paid Mr. Odell, his expenses in attending the session of the board at New York, May, 1819		26	15	05
To amount of expenditure made by the British agent for the pay and supplies of the British party on the exploring survey, in the year 1819 and the spring of 1820, per the schedule and vouchers accompanying it	1,921 11 09½			
To amount paid for the parties under the astronomers, under the parallel of 45 degrees, per the schedule and vouchers accompanying it	\$2,232 47	558	2	5
		£ 2,591	9	7½
		\$10,365	92½	

WARD CHIPMAN,

Boston, 25th May, 1820.

H. B. M. Agent.

Which account, being read and examined, was passed and allowed, and the board order that the amount, to wit, two thousand five hundred and ninety-one pounds nine shillings and seven pence half penny, New-Brunswick currency, equal to ten thousand three hundred and sixty-five dollars and ninety-two and a half cents, be paid in moieties by the respective agents.

The agent for the United States presented to the board his account of expenditures in the words and figures following, to wit:

Dr. The Commissioners under the fifth article of the Treaty of Ghent,
To WILLIAM C. BRADLEY, U. S. Agent.

1. To this sum paid secretary for his salary, from the 1st day of June, 1818, to 1st June, 1819, including sum paid secretary pro tem.	\$2,222 22
2. To amount paid R. Tillotson for stationery, copying, &c. by order of the board	77 44
3. To amount paid for provisions, utensils, and sundry outfits for surveying parties, as per abstract A, with vouchers, from 1 to 14 inclusive	1,620 98

4. To pay of assistants, commissary, and laborers, for the year 1819, as per abstract B, with vouchers, from 1 to 20 inclusive	3,533 00
5. To this sum paid R. Powers, commissary, for expenditures made by him for transportation, provision, maintenance of assistants and men, and sundry articles furnished for exploring survey, as per his account, marked C, with vouchers from 1 to 66 inclusive	2,824 51
6. To this sum paid Capt. Partridge for his expenses going to New-York, attending the board, and returning therefrom	97 00
To amount paid for transportation of the commissioners from Burlington to the Missisqui Bay, by order of the board	25 50
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	\$10,400 65

Which account, being read and examined, was passed and allowed, and the board order that the amount, viz. the sum of ten thousand four hundred dollars and sixty-five cents, be paid in moieties by the respective agents.

I certify that the foregoing are true copies from the records of the Board of Commissioners appointed pursuant to the fifth article of the Treaty of Ghent.

S. HALE, *Secretary.*

Mr. Delafield to the Secretary of State.

WASHINGTON, May 17, 1820.

SIR: The following considerations have induced me to solicit that I might remain attached to the commission under the 6th and 7th articles of the treaty of Ghent.

As the office of the agent under these articles has been vacated, some embarrassments may arise, that give me the more confidence in submitting the annexed suggestions.

That I be permitted to repair to the above described boundary commission;

To represent the United States (during the absence of an agent more fully authorized,) under the direction of the government or of the American commissioner, so far as it may be necessary.

To meet any proceedings on the part of the British agent.

To continue the minutes and journal of the agency; keep a record of the proceedings, and notes of the evidence upon which decisions are had.

To report to the government the proceedings of the board, and other occurrences of moment.

To transact all such things as the American commissioner should deem to require the interference of an agent, on the part of his government.

To avoid the allegation on the part of the British government, that the United States had not met the agent of his Britannic majesty by a corresponding officer, or person acting in such capacity.

To supply the American commissioner with another officer, so that he might be enabled to retire from the personal superintendence of the survey, and party of surveyors, whenever it might seem to him proper and requisite for the furtherance of the proceedings of the board.

To enable the board to proceed to the consideration of cases that in their opinion require the appearance of the respective governments by officers representing them. It may be proper here to add that much material is now matured for consideration by the board, not perhaps involving questions of doubts or difficulty; and that whenever the board shall conclude to act upon such cases, an embarrassment might arise from the non-appearance of an officer corresponding to the British agent.

To take charge of the public property left on the line by the American agent, and dispose of so much thereof as is liable to waste, and not needed by the commission.

To submit the accounts of the late agent of the United States to the board for their sanction; or to the American commissioner.

It is not believed nor desired that this appointment should increase, in any material manner, the expenses of the commission. No additional establishment would be requisite. The travelling expenses to and from the line, and such compensation as might be allowed, would

only accrue; and the appropriation for the present year, from my knowledge of the disbursements of the commission, it is believed, would cover this expense.

It is not intended to convey the impression that all the above enumerated duties are considered indispensable, but, it is believed, that, should this appointment be made, considerable embarrassments will be avoided; and I feel it right to state my convictions, that it would be agreeable to the views and wishes of the American commissioner.

Permit me to conclude, that I have continued with the commission from the commencement of its labors to the present time; and that a strong desire to make myself useful to the advancement of the interests of my country, (so far as in my power lies) urges me to seek for instructions, upon the subject proposed.

I have the honor to be, &c.

JOS. DELAFIELD.

Hon. JOHN QUINCY ADAMS,
Secretary of State.

The Secretary of State to Mr. Delafield.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,

Washington, May 19, 1820.

SIR: Having laid before the President of the United States your letter of the 17th instant, I am directed, by him, to authorize your attendance upon the commission under the sixth and seventh articles of the treaty of Ghent, for the purposes mentioned in your letter, and subject to the consent of the Commissioner General Porter, whose directions, in relation to the objects of your attention in this employment, you will be pleased to take and observe. Your compensation will continue as heretofore, with such further allowance for necessary expenses as the Commissioner shall approve, and may be allowed within the existing appropriation.

I am, &c.

JOHN QUINCY ADAMS.

JOSEPH DELAFIELD, Esq.

Mr. Delafield to the Secretary of State.

WASHINGTON, May 19, 1820.

SIR: I have had the honor to receive your communication, bearing date this day, authorizing my attendance upon the boundary line commission, under the sixth and seventh articles of the treaty of Ghent, for the purposes therein described. In pursuance of such authority, I shall repair forthwith to the boundary commission, and confer with General Porter, whose directions upon all subjects, where my services may be required, shall be observed.

I beg leave to assure you, that it will be my greatest pride to deserve the trust confided to me; and to render myself useful to the commission.

I have the honor to be, &c.

JOSEPH DELAFIELD.

HON. JOHN QUINCY ADAMS,
Secretary of State.

Mr. Delafield to the Secretary of State.

RIVER ST. CLAIR, OCTOBER 13, 1820.

SIR: I had the honor to address you on the 24th day of June last, from the Detroit river, giving information of the intended departure of the surveyors employed by the board, under the 6th and 7th articles of the Treaty of Ghent, from that river to the upper end of Lake Huron.

The survey having been conducted to the head of the river Detroit, I sailed with the surveyors in a light schooner that had been employed for our service, on the 21st day of July, and on the third day of August we commenced a section of survey at the north end of Lake Huron.

The British party had already begun their work at the head of the lake. We consequently took a section some distance below them, embracing the Island known as Drummond's Island, where the British forces now have a garrison; several channels hitherto unexplored: the commencement of the great Manatoulin Islands; and a great number of lesser islands.

I regret that it is not in my power, without the aid of maps, to give a satisfactory description of that country, nor do I know of any that have been published, that give a true knowledge of that end of Lake Huron.

That end of the lake from the river St. Marie to the Great Manitoulin, is included in the surveys of the two parties and is completed. I conceive that the survey effected this season upon Lake Huron will embrace by far the most essential parts of that lake to be surveyed, so far as it relates to the duties of this commission. Drummond's Island and Isle St. Joseph are of the most considerable interest, as well on account of their position as of territory; and more particularly Drummond's Island. To this island, now in possession of the British, the United States have reasons to maintain a claim.

The season having advanced so far as to become boisterous and inclement, which rendered the conduct of the survey uncertain; and, also, having concluded the survey commenced, we left Lake Huron and arrived on the river St. Clair on the sixth instant. The party is at present employed upon this river, but will soon be under the necessity of returning to Black Rock, on account of the inclemency of the weather. The British party left Lake Huron a few days before us and proceeded direct to Black Rock.

I have, &c. &c.

JOSEPH DELAFIELD.

Honorable J. Q. ADAMS, *Secretary of State.*

Mr. Delafield to the Secretary of State.

NEW YORK, November 1, 1820.

SIR: Upon the return of the boundary line party of surveyors, from the north end of lake Huron to the river St. Clair, I had the honor to forward a letter, under date of October 13, 1820, describing the progress we had made during the past season. That letter having been ordered to the charge of the postmaster at Detroit, and supposing its receipt may be prolonged, I have thought it right to enclose a duplicate of the same.

For the reasons stated in my letter of the 13th ultimo, we were then engaged in bringing the active labors of the survey for the season to a close; accordingly, when that duty was performed, we sailed from the St. Clair river, and arrived at Black Rock on the twentieth of the same month. At the latter place, the surveyors and draftsmen will be employed for some time, in the preparation of their notes of observation, and in the composition of their maps, for exchange and records, agreeably to the regulations of the board.

I take great satisfaction in stating, that our operations, during the summer, have been in all respects prosecuted with industry and success, and that they have been sanctioned by the concurrence and assent of the commissioner (General Porter.)

Our surveys have extended from the mouth of the Detroit river to

the north end of lake Huron, and have embraced that district, excepting the small lake St. Clair, and river St. Clair, and those parts of lake Huron that are not essential to the duties of this commission.

Upon a full exposition to General Porter of the surveys effected, and that which remains to be effected within the limits just mentioned, I have also the satisfaction to state, that he concurs with me in opinion that but little remains to be done, to bring to a close the performance of the sixth article of the treaty under which we act: and, from the arrangements that are anticipated, I do not doubt but what all the surveys that are necessary, from the parallel of latitude north 45° on the St. Lawrence river, through the lakes, to the north extremity of lake Huron, will, in the coming season, be completed; nor do I, at present, foresee any obstacles that may present a protraction of the boundary lines for that extent, by the decisions of the board, immediately thereafter. In furtherance of this view of the progress of our duties, General Porter has been pleased to confide to me the preliminaries he would establish to regulate such decisions; and their application to the various questions that suggest themselves, regardful of the best interests of the United States, is now a subject of study and investigation.

The difficulty that occurred to prevent a settlement of the accounts of the late agent of the United States, (colonel Hawkins,) to wit, that they had not been acted upon by the board, was submitted by me, to the commissioner of the United States, in conformity to my instructions. In order to present a just understanding of what has transpired, relative to these accounts, I have reduced the same to a correspondence with General Porter. His promised reply in a few days will enable me to lay the result before the Department of State.

I have the honor to be, with the greatest respect, &c.

JOS. DELAFIELD.

Hon. JOHN QUINCY ADAMS, *Secretary of State.*

Mr. Van Ness to Mr. Adams.

NEW YORK, November 25, 1820.

SIR: Perceiving, by the newspapers, that the House of Representatives of the United States has requested of the President certain information relative to the proceedings and accounts of the commissioners and agents under the Treaty of Ghent, I am induced to write you briefly on the subject.

It having appeared to me that no settlement of accounts was contemplated by the treaty, or expected by the government, until the final settlement at the close of the commission, it has been considered at least unnecessary to render any accounts. But being, at all times, not only willing, but anxious, to satisfy any branch of the government as to my public conduct or accounts, I herewith forward you

an abstract of my accounts, except as to the expenses of the commission for the present year. This is made out from papers which I have with me, but the vouchers are not here. I will, on my return home, arrange and forward them to your office. The amount of expenditures during the present year cannot be ascertained until all the accounts on both sides are settled and brought together, which it has not yet been possible to do.

The agent left this city a few days ago, on his return home. He has proper vouchers to shew that the money which has been received by him has been expended for the purposes of the commission.

I have, in the accompanying statement, put my salary at \$4,444 44, as that is generally supposed to be the amount. But the commissioners of his Britannic Majesty under the Treaty of Ghent receive 1200*l.* sterling, equal to \$5,333 28; and it is believed to be not only just, but in accordance with the Treaty, that the commissioners appointed on the part of the United States should receive the same salary. This principle has been most conclusively recognized by the United States in the case of the agents, whose salaries were raised from \$3,000 to \$4,444 44 per annum, to make them equal to the pay of the agents on the part of Great Britain. The propriety of an equality of compensation to the commissioners is certainly, to say the least, equally strong, as they are the *joint* officers of the two governments.

I have never claimed, on my personal account, any thing over my salary, whatever that may be; and such, I know, is the fact as to the agent.

The commissioners under the fifth article of the Treaty have held two sessions the present year. With respect to the progress which has been made by the commission, I understand the agent has already given to the government all the information which it would be in my power to communicate.

If any statement of the moneys drawn by me from the Treasury shall have been laid before the House of Representatives, previous to the receipt of this communication, I beg leave respectfully to request that copies of my letter and statement may be also transmitted to that body.

I have the honor to be, with great respect,
Your obedient servant,

C. P. VAN NESS.

Hon. JOHN QUINCY ADAMS, *Secretary of State.*

Abstract of Moneys received and paid out by C. P. Van Ness, Commissioner under the fifth article of the Treaty of Ghent.

Received from the United States, in the years 1816, 17,	
18, 19, and 20	\$82,444 00

Paid out for the United States:

To Mr. Bradley, agent of the United States, to be disbursed by him for the purposes of the commission, and for which disbursements he has the vouchers, I having taken his receipts for my vouchers	-	40,437 83
For instruments	- - -	791 92
To John Johnson, towards salary and expenses, who was surveyor under the commission about two years	- -	2,297 35
To F. L. Hasler, for salary and expenses, including transportation of instruments, who acted as astronomer under the commission about a year	- - -	3,183 27
For expresses	- - -	105 00
To Andrew Ellicott, who acted as astronomer in the summer of 1819, after Mr. Hasler left the service	- - -	670 00
To physician for attending to Mr. Ellicott, who was taken ill on the lines	-	11 00
To 5 years' salary, at \$4,444 44 per annum	22,222 20	
		<hr/> 69,718 57
Balance to be applied to the expenditures of 1820,		<hr/> <hr/> \$12,725 43

Mr. Delafield to the Secretary of State.

NEW YORK, November 27, 1820.

SIR: In addition to my previous communications respecting the progress of the boundary line commission under the sixth and seventh articles of the treaty of Ghent, I have the honor to submit some facts, that it did not heretofore occur to me were material at this time to communicate; and which will hereafter be presented more in detail, when the accounts of the past season are in readiness to exhibit. I allude more particularly to the names of persons now employed by the Commissioner or Agent, the purposes for which employed, their terms of service, and compensation.

In order that the Department of State may be entirely possessed of such information as I have upon these points, I have the honor to enclose a list, containing the names, the services, and salaries, and compensation, of all persons employed during this season, by the Commissioner of the United States, under the above articles of the treaty of Ghent.

This list is collected, so far as it respects the principal persons employed, from the proceedings of the Board; and is otherwise ex-

pressed with as much certainty as can be ascertained, until the accounts of the last season are rendered by the Commissioner. To those accounts I must beg leave to refer, for the most exact and detailed information that may be desired.

My own duties have not required the employ of either additional boatmen or extra establishment of any kind, as I constantly remained present with the party of surveyors.

And, I take pleasure in stating, that the agency with which I have the honor to be charged has not essentially increased the expenses of this commission. Upon this subject, I beg leave to add, that, if it should seem fit to place the compensation of the Agent upon a footing with other officers of the Board, the extra expenses incurred would be amply covered by such compensation; a course that would be the more gratifying, because it would enable me to dispense with an account for contingent or extra expenditures, and thus conform to a system, that I believe to be the wish of this Board to adopt, which is, to confine its extra expenditures exclusively to disbursements, necessarily accruing, whilst the party is actually employed upon the boundary line, in the prosecution of the surveys.

I have been unwillingly led to make any observations upon the subject of my own compensation, but the state of the appropriation for the agent, and the tenor of my appointment recognizing extra expenses to be allowed, have induced me to this explanation.

When I parted with the Commissioner at Black Rock, it was his intention to forward the accounts of the past season to me, that I might present them at the proper Auditor's Office, and they were in preparation for that purpose. I am in daily hope of the receipt of these accounts and shall hasten to lay them before the Department.

I have, &c.

JOSEPH DELAFIELD.

Hon. JOHN QUINCY ADAMS,
Secretary of State.

Names of persons forming the Board of Commission under the sixth and seventh articles of the treaty of Ghent, on the part of the United States, and of persons employed by them, their services and salaries, for the year 1820.

Peter B. Porter, Commissioner	-	-	-	Salary \$4,444
Joseph Delafield, Acting Agent,	-	-	-	

Persons employed by the Commissioners.

Donald Frazer, secretary	-	-	-	2,200
William Bird, principal surveyor	-	-	-	2,000
James Ferguson, trigonometrical surveyor	-	-	-	1,000
L. G. De Russey, trigonometrical and draftsman	-	-	-	1,000

J. Best, assistant surveyor; three dollars per diem, whilst employed, say six months.

Thomas Clinton, steward, charged with purchase and issue of supplies, and care of public property. His compensation appears in Commissioner's accounts.

Captain Gillett, master of a light vessel, with a crew of three men, employed for the transportation of the party and stores, upon the upper Lakes. The crew acting as boatmen, when not employed navigating the vessel. Employed about three months.

Nine boatmen, employed in the service of the surveyors, and constantly on duty with them. One of the number being the cook for the vessel and the party. These men were engaged by the month; mostly at the rate of 13 dollars per month, and were employed from the 1st of May, to the 20th of October, 1820.

For the wages of the master of the vessel, reference is made to the accounts of the Commissioner.

Persons employed by the Acting Agent, under sixth and seventh articles of the treaty of Ghent, 1820—None.

Peter B. Porter, Esq, to the Secretary of State.

BLACK ROCK, December 2d, 1820.

SIR: The surveying parties, under the 6th and 7th articles of the treaty of Ghent, returned from Lake Huron to this place the latter part of October, and are now engaged, as has been customary during the winter, in calculating, platting, and arranging, the work of the summer. We availed ourselves of the best part of this season to survey the islands (which are numerous, and many of them large) in Lake Huron, and in the straits of St. Mary's, which unite that lake with Superior. The only surveys that now remain to be executed, under the 6th article, are on the river and small lake St. Clair, which we calculate to complete in time to make a final decision and report upon the 6th article, in the course of the next season.

The execution of the 6th article will have consumed considerable time and expense; but I flatter myself that the maps and surveys which will accompany our report will shew that we have not been idle; and, that, besides exhibiting a clear and distinct demarcation of the boundary, they will furnish the government with a mass of the most useful information, in respect to a very considerable line of navigation, which is daily and rapidly growing into importance, and for the direction of which there are not, at present, any charts the accuracy of which can be in the least relied on.

The seventh article relates to a country which is, comparatively, of little importance; and a system of operations is proposed to be adopted, for designating the boundary, which will greatly reduce both the time and expense of its execution.

I have been gratified in having, during the last season, the assistance of Major Delafield, whose intelligence, habits of business, and correct deportment, have rendered him very useful. I hope that he may accompany us again the next season, to assist in arranging and preparing the various points for adjudication, and in making out the necessary reports and documents for the respective governments. The knowledge which, by his former situation, he has acquired of the various subjects connected with the 6th article, would probably enable him to be more useful than any other person. It would be my wish, also, should he continue with us, that he should take a general management and superintendence of the operations and expenses of the surveying parties, &c. This was not done by the late agent, for reasons which are already known to you.

Major Delafield has expressed a wish, suggested, no doubt, by my presumed knowledge of the duties which he has to perform, that I would give an opinion as to what would be a reasonable compensation for his services. This, however, is a subject on which I do not feel authorized to express an opinion further than to say, that I believe the Board, of which I am a member, has heretofore considered that neither considerations of justice, nor of national *etiquette*, required that the compensation of the two agents should be the same. On the contrary, they have been inclined to consider the agents rather as officers of the respective governments, than of the Board; and that their labors, as well as their compensations, might be essentially different, depending upon the instructions they might severally receive, and the arrangements they might make with their respective governments. I may, perhaps, be permitted to add, that, while I presume that Major Delafield has no expectation of receiving the amount of salary allowed to the former agent, yet, that the sum of a thousand dollars a year, which he has heretofore received, seems quite too small when compared with the nature and extent of his services; and when it is considered, too, that six or eight months in the year must be spent in camp, in an uninhabited and inhospitable country.

On the subject of the accounts of the late agent, (Col. Hawkins) Major Delafield, as his agent, has requested that they should be audited and adjusted by the Board; and has intimated that such was the wish of the government. I informed him, in reply, that the reason for not having originally included the expenses of the agents amongst the common expenses of the Board, arose from the circumstance that no British agent was appointed until after the close of the first year of our operations; that doubts were then entertained by the British commissioner whether one would be appointed; and a consequent unwillingness, on his part, to share in the payment for services which were rendered exclusively to the American government. The British government has, however, since employed an agent, and I have assured Major Delafield that, on the final settlement of the accounts, next season, I will use my endeavors, should it still be the wish of the government, to have the agents' accounts included, and

entertain no doubt but that they may be adjusted in a manner that will be satisfactory, and, at the same time, do justice to the two governments.

I enclose herewith for Mr. Pleasanton, the Auditor of your department, transcripts of the accounts of our expenditures for the last three years. The vouchers to which they refer are on file with the secretary of the Board, and will be transmitted to Washington on the closing of the 6th article.

I have, &c.

PETER B. PORTER.

Honorable JOHN Q. ADAMS,
Secretary of State.